



The shower (top) was built directly onto the floor, not in a cabin with doors, which meant that the Delucs had to create enough of a slope when tiling for the water to run off. Old doors (right) removed from the house were used to create a wall to separate the en suite bathroom from the bedroom.

Finishing touches

Floors Handmade terracotta tiles by George Takis of Lane's Ceramic Works **Tub** Second-hand find **Basins** Second-hand stores in Woodstock, Cape Town **Lighting** Art Deco wall sconce above the basins and spotlights onto roof beams **Taps** Cobra **Paint** White Plascon Wall & All **Mirrors** Made from old badminton racquets by the Delucs



Bathroom 5

Victorian with a twist

When French couple Maxime and Melodie Deluc bought their farmhouse in the centre of Cape Town's City Bowl in 2008, they decided to convert it into a guesthouse called La Grenadine. "We fell in love with the house and its unique features," says Melodie. "It reminded me of my childhood vacations in the South of France: old homes with stone walls, places with atmosphere and plenty of stories to tell."

The Delucs wanted to create a place where guests would feel immersed in local culture, so all the rooms feature pieces from South African designers as well as choice second-hand finds. "We've used a lot of recycled items – many of the wooden elements were made from timber that was here when we bought the house; we simply repurposed it. We didn't have much money, so we had to be creative!" recalls Melodie.

The couple bought the old ball and claw baths second-hand but completely refurbished them, adding bright pops of colour on the underside for a modern twist.

The black terracotta tiles on the floors were inspired by traditional French *Tomette* floor tiles. "They're one of my favourite features in the bathrooms. They're handmade and baked in an oven, so each one is unique," says Melodie. >>

Melodie says We wanted to create a space that feels like you're on holiday the moment you step in.

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